

November 7, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S14226.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Floyd Hall, of New Jersey, who was introduced by Senator Lautenberg, Louis S. Thompson, of Maryland, and Robert L. Crandall, of Texas, each to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak), after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### LUNAR EXPLORATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded a hearing to examine the future of the U.S. Space Program, including the possibility of a return mission to the Moon, after receiving testimony from former Senator Harrison H. Schmitt, InterLune-Intermars Initiative, Inc., Albuquerque, New Mexico; J. Roger P. Angel, University of Arizona Center for Astronomical Adaptive Optics, Tucson; and David R. Criswell, University of Houston Institute for Space Systems Operations, and Paul D. Spudis, Lunar and Planetary Institute, both of Houston, Texas.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Res. 237, welcoming the public apologies issued by the President of Serbia and Montenegro and the President of the Republic of Croatia and urging other leaders in the region to perform similar concrete acts of reconciliation;

S. Res. 256, observing the 50th anniversary of the Mutual Defense Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Korea, affirming the deep cooperation and friendship between the people of the United States and the people of the Republic of Korea, and thanking the Republic of Korea for its contributions to the global war on terrorism and to the stabilization and reconstruction of Afghanistan and Iraq;

S. Res. 258, expressing the sense of the Senate on the arrest of Mikhail B. Khodorkovsky by the Russian Federation;

S. 950, to allow travel between the United States and Cuba, with amendments;

S. 1317, to amend the American Servicemember's Protection Act of 2002 to provide clarification with

respect to the eligibility of certain countries for United States military assistance;

S. 1824, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to reauthorize the Overseas Private Investment Corporation; and

The nominations of Margaret DeBardeleben Tutwiler, of Alabama, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy, Zalmay Khalilzad, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Transitional Islamic State of Afghanistan, Louise V. Oliver, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, William J. Hudson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tunisia, Margaret Scobey, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to Syria, Thomas Thomas Riley, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco, Jackie Wolcott Sanders, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as United States Representative to the Conference on Disarmament and the Special Representative of the President of the United States for Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, Mary Kramer, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to Barbados and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Antigua and Barbuda, the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Timothy John Dunn, of Illinois, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Deputy Permanent Representative to the Organization of American States, James Curtis Struble, of California, to be Ambassador to Peru, Hector E. Morales, of Texas, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, Marguerita Dianne Ragsdale, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Djibouti, Edward B. O'Donnell, Jr., of Tennessee, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Envoy for Holocaust Issues, Jon R. Purnell, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uzbekistan, Stuart W. Holliday, of Texas, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and certain Foreign Service Officer promotion lists received in the Senate on October 3, 2003.

### DOD AIRLINE TRAVEL

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded a hearing to examine Department of Defense's improper use of first and business class airline travel, focusing on the extent of DOD premium class travel, the effectiveness of key internal control activities and examples

of improper premium class travel resulting from internal control breakdowns, and DOD's control environment over premium class travel, after receiving testimony from Senator Grassley; Representative Schakowsky; Gregory D. Kutz, Director, and John V. Kelly, Assistant Director, both of the Financial Management and Assurance Team, and John J. Ryan, Assistant Director, Office of Special Investigations, all of the General Accounting Office; and Lawrence J. Lanzillotta, Principal Deputy Under Secretary (Comptroller), and Charles S. Abell, Assistant Secretary for Force Management Policy, both of the Department of Defense.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 710, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that aliens who commit acts of torture, extrajudicial killings, or other specified atrocities abroad are inadmissible and removable and to establish within the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice an Office of Special Investigations having responsibilities under that Act with re-

spect to all alien participants in war crimes, genocide, and the commission of acts of torture and extrajudicial killings abroad, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1086, to encourage the development and promulgation of voluntary consensus standards by providing relief under the antitrust laws to standards development organizations with respect to conduct engaged in for the purpose of developing voluntary consensus standards, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1685, to extend and expand the basic pilot program for employment eligibility verification, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Con. Res. 77, expressing the sense of Congress supporting vigorous enforcement of the Federal obscenity laws; and

The nominations of Janice R. Brown, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, D. Michael Fisher, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, and Mark R. Filip, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.